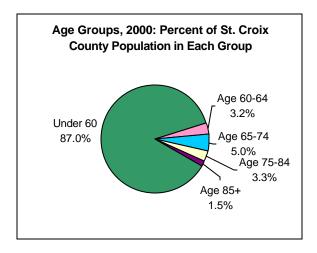
St. Croix County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in St. Croix County is lower than that of the state as a whole (9.9% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been much faster in this county than in the state as a whole (22.0% versus 7.9%). In all, 6,221 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 977 of these are age 85 or older. St. Croix County's average (or median) age is 35.0 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

St. Croix County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	63,155		50,251		12,904	25.7%
Persons 60 and over	8,222	13.0%	6,744	13.4%	1,478	21.9%
Persons 65 and over	6,221	9.9%	5,100	10.1%	1,121	22.0%
Persons 85 and over	977	1.5%	762	1.5%	215	28.2%



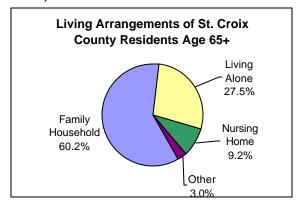
Race:

A large majority (99.3%) of St. Croix County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. St. Croix County African Americans have a median age of 26.2 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 22.6 years. Whites, in contrast, average 35.2 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 23,410 households in St. Croix County, 4,080 include at least one person age 65 or older (17.4% of all households). A total of 3,800 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 70.7% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (60.2%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 27.5% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 4.1% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 574 people age 65 and older live in St. Croix County nursing homes (9.2% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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